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Labor Market Report Highlights June 2014

Labor Force and Unemployment

- Similar to national data, Kansas' seasonally adjusted labor force increased slightly, adding 390 people to the labor market in June.
- The June 2014 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Kansas was 4.9 percent, up from 4.8 percent in May, and down from 5.6 percent one year ago.
- The June 2014 not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Kansas was 5.1 percent, up from 4.6 percent in May 2014 and down from 5.7 percent one year ago.
- There were 9,844 initial claims for unemployment benefits in June 2014, down from 12,518 in May 2014 and down from 13,284 last year. There were 87,190 continued claims in June 2014, up from 76,255 the previous month and down from 106,824 in June 2013. These numbers include all available programs.

Jobs Data

Seasonally Adjusted

- Since January 2011, Kansas has added 55,100 seasonally adjusted private sector jobs.
- The state added 15,000 seasonally adjusted private sector jobs over the year, a 1.3
 percent gain. Kansas gained 18,400 seasonally adjusted nonfarm jobs since June 2013,
 also a 1.3 percent increase.
- Seasonally adjusted private sector jobs rose by 700 since last month, a 0.1 percent increase. Since May 2014, the state gained 500 seasonally adjusted nonfarm jobs, with no significant percentage change.

Learn about the difference between seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted numbers here.

Not Seasonally Adjusted

- Kansas gained 15,200 private sector jobs since June 2013, a 1.4 percent increase. Kansas gained 16,700 nonfarm jobs over the year, a 1.2 percent increase.
- Kansas added 8,600 private sector jobs since May 2014, a 0.8 percent increase. Over the month, Kansas lost 2,400 nonfarm jobs, a 0.2 percent decrease.

Industry Breakdown

- Eight of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over the year job gains. These gains were greatest in:
 - Professional and business services increased by 6,700 jobs, a 4.1 percent gain.
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- Construction gained 3,800 jobs, a 6.4 percent increase, with gains throughout the sector.
- Trade, transportation and utilities added 3.400 jobs, a 1.3 percent gain. The growth was primarily in wholesale trade.
- Two of the 11 major industries reported statewide over the year job losses. These were in:
 - Manufacturing declined by 2,400 jobs, or 1.5 percent. All of the loss was in durable goods.
 - Leisure and hospitality decreased by 1,300 jobs, or 1 percent. The decline was mainly in arts, entertainment and recreation.
- One of the 11 major industries, financial activities, showed no change over the year.
- Eight of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over the month job gains. The largest gains were in:
 - Trade, transportation and utilities gained 3,300 jobs, or 1.3 percent, with additions throughout the sector.
 - Professional and business services grew by 2,500, a 1.5 percent increase. These gains were mostly in professional, scientific and technical services.
 - o Manufacturing added 1,600 jobs, or 1 percent, with the increases in durable goods.
- Three of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over the month losses. These were highest in:
 - Government declined 11,000 jobs, or 4.2 percent, with decreases at the state and local levels.
 - Education and health services lost 1,100 jobs, a 0.6 percent decline, all in educational services.
 - Other services dropped 900 jobs, or 1.7 percent.

Private Sector Earnings

Not Seasonally Adjusted

- Private sector average weekly earnings increased by \$17.31 over the month and by \$12.12 since last year, to a total of \$768.95.
- Financial activities increased the most in earnings, both since May and last year. Average weekly earnings in financial activities increased by \$63.03 over the month and by \$71.77 since last year, to a total of \$1,018.35.
- Manufacturing also had notable increases, at \$36.75 over the month and \$69.80 over the year, to an average weekly wage of \$1,011.15.

The July 2014 Labor Report will be released on Monday, Aug. 18.

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